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EXCON

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI SZ

SUBJ: EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION ON COLT EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS

08609, 08613, 08615.

REF: 75 STATE 305196

1. AS EXCON IS AWARE, THE EMBASSY IS UNABLE TO PERFORM DIRECT, PRE-LICENSING CHECKS ON SPECIFIC SWISS FIRMS OR INDIVIDUALS DUE TO THE RESTRICTIONS OF SWISS LAW. HOWEVER, EMBASSY WTDR AND BACK-UP COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS FROM COMMERCIAL SECTION FILES DATED MID-1973 INDICATE PETITPIERRE & GRISEL, SA WELL ESTABLISHED SWISS DEALER IN FIREARMS, SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION, INDUSTRIAL EXPLOSIVES, TUBULAR SCAFFOLDING AND CUTLERY. ESTABLISHED BANK REFERENCES. PETITPIERRE & GRISEL ARE REPRESENTATIVES IN SWITZERLAND FOR REMINGTON ARMS CO., INC. OF BRIDGEPORT, CONN, FOR COLT'S PATENT FIREARMS OF HARTFORD, CONN; AND SINCE 1966 ARE SOLE OWNERS OF WEBLEY & SCOTT., LTD., A FIREARMS FIRM IN BIRMINGHAM, GREAT BRITAIN. THE CONCERN IS WELL INTRODUCED TO ITS MARKET AND IS DESCRIBED AS FINANCIALLY SOUND.

2. EDO ALSO APPROACHED MR. MAX KRELL OF SWISS DIVISION OF COMMERCE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OF POSSIBLE REEXPORT

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OF REFTTEL 610 REVOLVERS AND 253 PISTOLS. MR. KRELL IS

NOT AWARE WHETHER PETITPIERRE & GRISEL PLANS TO REEXPORT
ANY OF THE FIREARMS THEY HAVE ORDERED, BUT SUGGESTED
USG REQUEST SWISS BLUE IMPORT CERTIFICATE FOR THIS TRANSACTION
IN VIEW OF ITS SIZE.

3. UNLESS EXCON FILES WOULD INDICATE OTHERWISE, SUGGEST
THAT WITH SWISS BLUE IMPORT CERTIFICATE TO COVER CONTROL
END, THERE IS NO REASON TO DENY THIS APPLICATION.
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